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IN THE MATTER OF MIDVALE TELEPHONE
EXCHANGE, INC.'S APPLICATION FOR
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES AND FOR
DISBURSEMENT FROM THE ARIZONA
UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND.

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**QWEST CORPORATION'S
JOINER IN CITIZENS'
RESPONSE TO MIDVALE'S
POST-HEARING BRIEF**

Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") hereby joins in the response of
Citizens Communications Company ("Citizens") to Midvale Telephone
Exchange's ("Midvale") post-hearing brief. Citizens' response
points out that Midvale did not offer any factual or legal
support for its extended area service ("EAS") proposal in its
post-hearing brief. In fact, Midvale did not address the EAS
issue at all.

Moreover, Qwest notes that the arguments set forth by
Commission Staff in its post-hearing brief support the rejection
of Midvale's EAS proposal. Accordingly, for the reasons set
forth by Qwest, Citizens and Commission Staff, the Commission
should deny Midvale's EAS request.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 13th day of July, 2001.
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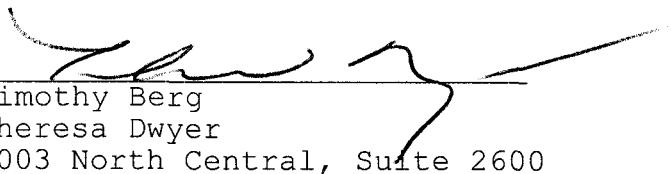
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